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General Assembly

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10:00 — 45th plenary meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

1. Strengthening of the United Nations system: draft resolution (A/70/L.6) [item 122]
2. Implementation of the resolutions of the United Nations [item 119]
   Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly [item 120]

Joint debate

Security Council

The President of the Security Council for the month of November (United Kingdom) will provide a briefing for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council on the programme of work for the month *today*, 3 November 2015, at 11:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The President of the Security Council will also provide a briefing to the press on the programme of work for the month of November *today*, 3 November 2015, at 12:30, in the Press Briefing Room (S-0237). Delegations can view the press briefing from the United Nations Webcast. [webcast]

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General Assembly

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Main Committees

First Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 23rd meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Action on all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items (items 88 to 105)

[Documents of the Committee: *item 88* (A/70/139, A/70/139/Add.1 and A/C.1/70/L.17); *item 89* (A/70/29 and A/C.1/70/L.18); *item 91*; *item 92* (A/70/174, A/70/172, A/70/172/Add.1 and A/C.1/70/L.45); *item 93* (A/70/153 (Part I) and A/70/153 (Part I)/Add.1); *item 95* (A/C.1/70/L.3 and A/C.1/70/L.47); *item 96* (A/C.1/70/L.22); *item 97* (A/70/168, A/70/168/Add.1, A/70/81, A/70/181, A/70/163, A/70/163/Add.1, A/70/164, A/70/164/Add.1, A/70/155, A/70/117, A/70/183, A/70/157, A/70/169, A/70/169/Add.1, A/70/170, A/70/170/Add.1, A/70/182, A/70/182/Add.1, A/C.1/70/2, A/C.1/70/L.4, A/C.1/70/L.6*, A/C.1/70/L.7, A/C.1/70/L.9, A/C.1/70/L.10, A/C.1/70/L.11, A/C.1/70/L.13/Rev.1, A/C.1/70/L.16, A/C.1/70/L.19, A/C.1/70/L.25, A/C.1/70/L.27, A/C.1/70/L.28/Rev.1, A/C.1/70/L.31, A/C.1/70/L.33, A/C.1/70/L.34, A/C.1/70/L.35, A/C.1/70/L.36*, A/C.1/70/L.39, A/C.1/70/L.41, A/C.1/70/L.48, A/C.1/70/L.49, A/C.1/70/L.50, A/C.1/70/L.52/Rev.1, A/C.1/70/L.54, and A/C.1/70/L.58*); *item 98* (A/70/116, A/70/138, A/70/114, A/70/165, A/C.1/70/L.8, A/C.1/70/L.42, A/C.1/70/L.43/Rev.1, A/C.1/70/L.53 and A/C.1/70/L.57); *item 99* (A/70/177, A/70/186, A/70/27, A/70/42, A/C.1/70/L.14, A/C.1/70/L.29 and A/C.1/70/L.30); *item 100* (A/70/153 (Part II) (to be issued)); *item 101* (A/C.1/70/L.24); *item 102* (A/70/160, A/70/160/Add.1 and A/C.1/70/L.5); *item 103* (A/70/171, A/70/159); *item 104* (A/C.1/70/L.12); and *item 105*

Other documents: Organization of work (A/C.1/70/1, A/C.1/70/INF/1, A/C.1/70/INF/2, A/C.1/70/INF/4, A/C.1/70/CRP.1, A/C.1/70/CRP.2, A/C.1/70/CRP.3 and A/C.1/70/CRP.5).]

[The list of delegations has been issued and is available in the Conference Room.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; Room S-3057).

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Website (*click here*).

For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail leu@un.org).

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The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only when read out by the delegation.

A First Committee side events calendar is available by *clicking here*. To have an event added on the list, please contact Ms. Soo Hyun Kim (e-mail kim12@un.org).]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

15:00 to 18:00 — 17th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects (A/70/95 and A/70/357) [item 56]

Continuation of general debate

[Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers of the remaining items of the agenda of the Committee are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

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Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers by *clicking here*. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Delegates may also follow the open formal meetings of the Committee via Live webcast on the United Nations Web TV website (*click here*). The direct link to the archived videos can be consulted by *clicking here*.]

Second Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 27th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) (A/70/8, A/70/210, A/70/264 and A/C.2/70/2) [item 21]

Introductory statement (via video link), followed by "question time"

General discussion

15:00 to 18:00 — 28th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II) and strengthening of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) (A/70/8, A/70/210, A/70/264 and A/C.2/70/2) [item 21]

Continuation and conclusion of the general discussion

[The Second Committee programme of work and status of documentation, including background information and side events for the seventieth session of the General Assembly are available on the website of the Committee (*click here*).The list of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items of the Second Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the lists should

contact, *in writing*, the Acting Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem*@*un.org)).

Deadline for inscription to the lists of speakers for the general discussion on individual agenda items is *18:00* of the day before the consideration of the item. Pursuant to General Assembly decision 65/530 on improving the working methods of the Second Committee, delegations are reminded that the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion on individual agenda items will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are available during the session. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2*@*un.org. The name of the mission, date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Please note that PDF format is preferred. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Acting Secretary of the Second Committee, Mr. Otto Gustafik (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy*@*un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. For inquiries regarding access to the Second Committee QuickPlace, please contact Ms. Maria Theresa Olvida (e-mail 2ndcommittee*@*un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8429).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Second Committee matters should be sent, *as soon as possible but no later than 17:00* of the day before the meeting, to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp*@*un.org, tel. 1 (212) 963-5724).]

Third Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 39th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

1. Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance [item 70]

   (a) Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance (A/70/18 and A/70/321)

   (b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action (A/70/339, A/70/367, A/70/309 and A/70/335)

2. Right of peoples to self-determination (A/70/314 and A/70/330) [item 71]

Continuation and conclusion of the general discussion

15:00 to 18:00 — 40th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

1. Address by the President of the seventieth session of the General Assembly, His Excellency Mogens Lykketoft

2. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions (A/70/12, A/69/12/Add.1 and A/70/337) [item 65]

Introductory statement, followed by an interactive dialogue

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

General discussion

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on the remaining items of the Third Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail sl3rdcommittee*@*un.org). Delegations are reminded that the names of

representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, as soon as possible, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail lpthirdcommittee@un.org; Room S-1286)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/70/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the seventieth session as well as deadlines for inscription in the speakers lists and submission of draft proposals, is available by *clicking here*. All delegations that have not yet done so are kindly requested to transmit to the secretariat of the Third Committee, the completed form listing the duly accredited diplomats of their mission wishing to use the eSponsorship platform and QuickPlace. The form should be e-mailed to thirdcommittee@un.org. For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for Third Committee QuickPlace and the eSponsorship platform, please contact Mr. Paolo Dua (e-mail thirdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp@un.org). Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via PaperSmart is available. Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) at least one hour in advance of expected delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.]

Fifth Committee

10:00 — 11th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

1. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017 [item 134]

   Construction and property management: the seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project at the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific premises in Bangkok (A/70/356 and A/70/7/Add.3)

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Pattern of conferences [item 137]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/70/L.4

Morning[1] to 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017: Construction and property management: the seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project at the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific premises in Bangkok (A/70/356 and A/70/7/Add.3))

15:00 to 18:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 134 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2016-2017)

(A/70/6 (Introduction)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 1), A/70/6 (Sect. 2), A/70/6 (Sect. 2)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 3), A/70/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 4)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 5), A/70/6 (Sect. 5)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 6), A/70/6 (Sect. 7), A/70/6 (Sect. 8)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 8)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 9)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 10), A/70/6 (Sect. 11)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 12),

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 11th meeting.

A/70/6 (Sect. 13), A/70/6 (Sect. 14), A/70/6 (Sect. 14)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 15), A/70/6 (Sect. 16), A/70/6 (Sect. 17), A/70/6 (Sect. 17)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 18), A/70/6 (Sect. 18)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 19), A/70/6 (Sect. 20), A/70/6 (Sect. 21), A/70/6 (Sect. 22), A/70/6 (Sect. 23), A/70/6 (Sect. 24), A/70/6 (Sect. 24)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 25), A/70/6 (Sect. 26), A/70/6 (Sect. 27), A/70/6 (Sect. 28), A/70/6 (Sect. 28)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 28)/Corr.2, A/70/6 (Sect. 29), A/70/6 (Sect. 29A), A/70/6 (Sect. 29A)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 29B)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 29C)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 29C)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 29D), A/70/6 (Sect. 29E)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 29F), A/70/6 (Sect. 29F)/Corr.1, A/70/6 (Sect. 29G), A/70/6 (Sect. 29H)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 30), A/70/6 (Sect. 31), A/70/6 (Sect. 8)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 33)*, A/70/6 (Sect. 34), A/70/6 (Sect. 35), A/70/6 (Sect. 36)*, A/70/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/70/6 (Income Sect. 2), A/70/6 (Income Sect. 3), A/70/97, A/70/86, A/70/7, A/70/16* (Chapter II A – relevant parts), A/70/80* (Chapter I), A/70/280 and A/70/280/Add.1)

[The list of speakers for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, in writing, Ms. Ilene McGrade (e-mail fifthcommittee *a* un.org). In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy of their statement to the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail fifthcommittee *a* un.org), prior to the start of the meeting.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee, including the provisional draft programme of work for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is available by *clicking here*.]

Sixth Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 18th meeting [webcast] — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-seventh session (A/70/10) [item 83]

Administration of Justice at the United Nations [item 143]

Consideration of the outcome of the informal consultations

[Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventieth session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal (*click here*) should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of the delivery to papersmart6 *a* un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee *a* un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee *a* un.org, Room DC2-0566; fax 1 (212) 963-1963).

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Delegates are invited to access the online form on the website of the Sixth Committee for purposes of registering for the Committee's UNITE Connections community (for the seventieth session), as well as to join the e-mail contact list of representatives attending the Sixth Committee.]

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Thirty-ninth session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf *today*, 3 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

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Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 73 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in *Conference Room 12*.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Presentation and informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Comprehensive review of special political missions" (under agenda item 57) (convened by the delegations of Finland and Mexico)

From 10:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room A.

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.16, entitled "Human resources development" (under agenda item 24 (c)) (convened by the delegation of Bahamas)

From 10:00 to 13:00, in Room S-25MM2.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.5, entitled "International Year of Sustainable Tourism for Development, 2017" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

From 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.4, entitled "Proclamation of an International Day of Women in Science" (under agenda item 22 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Malta)

From 13:30 to 14:30, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Climate change" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the delegation of France)

From 14:30 to 16:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.8, entitled "Women in development" (under agenda item 24 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Rwanda)

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room E.

Third Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions" (under agenda item 65) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

From 09:00 to 10:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Combating intolerance, negative stereotyping, stigmatization, discrimination, incitement to violence and violence against persons, based on religion or belief" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Egypt)

From 09:30 to 11:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.25, entitled "Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol thereto" (under agenda item 72 (a)) (convened by the delegations of Mexico, New Zealand and Sweden)

From 10:00 to 11:15, in Conference Room F.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Effective promotion of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities" (under agenda item 72) (convened by the delegation of Austria)

From 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.11, entitled "Policies and programmes involving youth" (under agenda item 28 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the Republic of Moldova)

From 11:30 to 13:30, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Protection of and Assistance to Internally Displaced Persons" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Norway)

From 13:00 to 15:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.10, entitled "International cooperation against the world drug problem" (under agenda item 107) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

From 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "United Nations Human Rights Training and Documentation Centre for South-West Asia and the Arab Region" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Qatar)

From 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room F.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.15, entitled "Integrating volunteering into peace and development: the plan of action for the next decade and beyond" (under agenda item 28) (convened by the delegations of Brazil and Japan)

From 16:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.28, entitled "Rights of the Child" (under agenda item 68 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Uruguay (for GRULAC members only)

From 16:30 to 18:00, in Conference Room F.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The human right to safe drinking water and sanitation" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and Spain)

From 17:00 to 18:30, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The Right to Development and Enhancement of international cooperation in the field of Human Rights" (under agenda item 72 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Cuba (for NAM members))

From 18:00 to 19:30, in Conference Room B.

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

Group of 77 (on Third Committee and related matters)

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group of the Assembly

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 8

OIC Group (Third Committee experts)

16:00 to 17:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 11

Other activities

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Expert Group Meeting on "Policy Responses to Low Fertility" (co-organized by the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the East-West Center)

From 09:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Theresa Nguyen, Population Division, DESA (e-mail poppolicy@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8089).]

High-level event on "The importance of nationality in today's world" (organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Brazil, Côte d'Ivoire, Germany, Italy and Thailand and the United States Mission)

From 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room 11.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact UNHCR Liaison Office in New York (Ms. Anne-Christine Eriksson, (e-mail eriksson@unhcr.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5229); or Ms. Els Jellema (e-mail jellema@unhcr.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9145).]

Briefing on "Policy Responses to Low Fertility" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea and the Population Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

From 13:00 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kim Hae-ryun, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea (e-mail korea.un_2c@mofa.go.kr).]

Briefing on "The international humanitarian-law related issues of the thirty-second International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent Movement" (organized by the International Committee of the Red Cross)

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Abby Zeith, ICRC (e-mail azeith@icrc.org; tel. 1 (212) 599-6021); or *click here*.]

Launch of the United Nations University Policy Report entitled *What Comes after the War on Drugs?* (organized by the United Nations University (UNU))

From 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 12. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact the UNU New York Office (e-mail kinzli@unu.edu; tel. 1 (212) 963-6387); to register, please *click here*).]

Special event on "Confronting the Silence: Perspectives and Dialogue on Structural Racism against people of African Descent Worldwide" (on the occasion of the International Decade for People of African Descent) (organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), in collaboration with the Unitarian Universalist Association, the Department of Public Information (DPI), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the International Organization of la Francophonie, Black Lives Matter and Amnesty International USA)

From 13:30 to 15:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. [webcast]

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kellie Shandra Ognimba, OHCHR (e-mail ognimba@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 963 5348); to register, please *click here*.]

Informal discussion on international Law: 26th Legal Advisers Meeting (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

From 15:00 to 18:00, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Roxanne Brûlé, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail roxanne.brule@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1179).]

Press conferences

The schedule is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp.

Tuesday, 3 November 2015

General Assembly stakeout [webcast]

11:30 — His Excellency Mogens Lykketoft (Denmark), President of the seventieth session of the General Assembly (on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly and also his recommendations to Member States to strengthen the institution and integrity of the Office of the President of the General Assembly) (press encounter)

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

12:00 — Press briefing by the Spokesperson

12:30 — His Excellency Matthew Rycroft (United Kingdom), President of the Security Council for the month of November (on the programme of work for the month)

General Assembly
Seventieth session

The General Assembly will hold plenary meetings, in the General Assembly Hall as follows:

On Thursday, 5 November 2015, at 10:00 and 15:00, to consider agenda item 75 (Report of the International Court of Justice) (document (A/70/4)) and report of the Secretary-General (A/70/327)) and agenda item 78 (Report of the International Criminal Court) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/350)) and reports of the Secretary-General (A/70/317 and A/70/346)).

On Friday, 6 November 2015, at 10:00, to consider agenda item 78 (Report of the International Criminal Court) (note by the Secretary-General (A/70/350) and reports of the Secretary-General (A/70/317 and A/70/346).

On Monday, 9 November 2015, at 10:00, to consider sub-item (b) of agenda item 113 (Election of thirty members of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law), sub-item (e) of agenda item 114 (Appointment of members of the Committee on Conferences) (document (A/70/107)), sub-item (f) of agenda item 114 (Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit) (document (A/70/106)) and sub-item (b) of agenda item 112 (Election of eighteen members of the Economic and Social Council) to hold a by-election to elect a member of the Economic and Social Council (document A/70/426).

Delegations wishing to speak are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org) with copy to Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org); tel. 1 (212) 963-5063)).

General Assembly
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There will be an informal meeting of the plenary on Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 13:30 to 14:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to hear a briefing on the ongoing preparations for the 21st Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 29 October 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Announcement

There will be an informal meeting organized by the President of the General Assembly, on Thursday, 5 November 2015, at 11:45, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber, to hear a briefing by the Chair of the United Nations Statistical Commission and a representative of the Statistical Division of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on progress in developing the global indicator framework for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 27 October 2015, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 4 November 2015

General Assembly
Seventieth session

10:00 46th plenary meeting General Assembly Hall

Follow-up to the commemoration of the two-hundredth anniversary of the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade [item 118]

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/70/221 and A/70/136)

(b) Draft resolution (A/70/L.5)

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea: Sustainable fisheries)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (b) (Sustainable fisheries) of the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be held from Tuesday, 10, to Tuesday, 17 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

Informal consultations on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 79 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea) of the seventieth session of the General Assembly will be held from Wednesday, 18, to Tuesday, 24 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

General Assembly

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The agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was adopted on 18 September 2015 (document A/70/251 and A/70/251/Add.1), see documents A/70/252 and A/70/252/Add.1 for allocation of items.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventieth regular session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/70/100.

The programme of the work and the schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its seventieth session were issued on 7 October 2015 in document A/INF/70/3. Updates to the programme of work will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings, please *click here*.

List of speakers

Delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova, e-mail poliakova@un.org; with a copy to heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

For the submission of a draft resolution for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

PaperSmart Services

Delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is

requested, using the agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/70/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org, or to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Future elections of non-permanent members of the Security Council and members of the Economic and Social Council

Pursuant to operative paragraph 17 of resolution 68/307 of 10 September 2014, on the revitalization of the work of the General Assembly, there will be two elections, at the seventieth session, of the non-permanent members of the Security Council and two elections of the members of the Economic and Social Council.

Specifically, the General Assembly conducted the elections of five non-permanent members of the Security Council for the term 2016-2017 and of 18 members of the Economic and Social Council for the term 2016-2018, during the main part of the session. The elections for the 2017-2018 term in the Security Council and for the 2017-2019 term in the Economic and Social Council will take place during the resumed part of the session, in the *spring of 2016*.

Subsequently, these elections will be conducted once during each session of the General Assembly, in the spring, in accordance with the above-mentioned resolution. A memorandum, dated 22 October 2014, was sent by the Director, General Assembly and Economic and Social Council Affairs Division, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, to the Chairs of the regional groups for that month.

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 12th meeting on Wednesday, 4 November 2015, at 10:00, in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 12th meeting, in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

2015 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities

The 2015 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities will be held on Monday, 9 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 2, and will continue from 15:00 to 18:00, if necessary.

Delegations are requested to submit, *in writing*, the names of their representatives attending the Pledging Conference to the Secretary of the Conference, Ms. Radhika Ochalik (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of note verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

The list of speakers for the Pledging Conference is now *open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, the Secretary of the Conference (c/o Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Pledging Conference. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least one hour in advance of delivery to papersmart@un.org.

The date and subject of the meeting should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject of the e-mail.

The statements will be made available on the Pledging Conference PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only after delivery by delegations.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventieth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/70/251 and A/70/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel" (under agenda item 73) (convened by the delegation of the European Union)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 9.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Investigation into the conditions and circumstances resulting in the tragic death of Dag Hammarskjöld and of the members of the party accompanying him" (under agenda item 129) (convened by the delegations of Sweden and Zambia)

Thursday, 5 November 2015, from 10:00 to 11:00, in Conference Room 12.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations" (under agenda item 73 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Sweden)

Thursday, 5 November 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 8.

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Follow-up to the Fourth United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries" (under agenda item 23 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Turkey)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 09:30 to 11:00, in Conference Room E.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.20, entitled "United Nations decade of Education for Sustainable Development (2005-2014)" (under agenda item 20 (h)) (convened by the delegation of the Sudan)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 11:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room E.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.9, entitled "Second United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty 2008-2017" (under agenda item 24 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Chile)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 13:00 to 15:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.6, entitled "Culture and sustainable development" (under agenda item 22 (c)) (convened by the delegation of Costa Rica)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room E.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.7, entitled "International financial system and development" (under agenda item 18 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Chile)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.13, entitled "Operational activities for development of the United Nations system" (under agenda item 25) (convened by the delegation of Colombia)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 15:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room 6.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/70/L.3, entitled "Triennial United Nations conferences on oceans and seas" (under agenda item 20) (convened by the delegation of Fiji)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 15:00 to 16:30, in Conference Room 8.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Samoa Pathway" (under agenda item 20 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the Bahamas)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 17:00 to 18:30, in Conference Room B.

Third Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions" (under agenda item 65) (convened by the delegation of Denmark)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 09:00 to 10:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.9, entitled "Promoting social integration through social inclusion" (under agenda item 28 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Peru)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.23, entitled "Protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 10:00 to 11:30, in Conference Room F.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.24, entitled "Improvement of the situation of women and girls in rural areas" (under agenda item 29 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room B.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.16, entitled "United Nations African Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders" (under agenda item 106) (convened by the delegation of Uganda (on behalf of the African Group))

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room F.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The human right to safe drinking water and sanitation" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegations of Germany and Spain)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 11:30 to 13:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.7, entitled "Violence against women migrant workers" (under agenda item 29 (a)) (convened by the delegations of Indonesia and the Philippines)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 13:00 to 15:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.13, entitled "Improving the coordination of efforts against trafficking in persons" (under agenda item 106) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room F.

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety of journalists and the issue of impunity" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Greece)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 15:00 to 17:00, in Conference Room C.

Informal informal on the draft resolution entitled "Follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly" (under agenda item 29 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Guyana)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 16:00 to 18:00, in Conference Room F.

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/70/L.28, entitled "Rights of the Child" (under agenda item 68 (a)) (convened by the delegation Uruguay (for GRULAC members only))

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 17:00 to 19:00, in Conference Room C.

Forthcoming other meetings

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JUSCANZ Group (on Second Committee and related matters)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 09:00 to 09:45, in Conference Room 9.

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS) (plenary meeting)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 10:00 to 13:00, in Conference Room 8.

International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties (omnibus resolution)

Friday, 6 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

Forthcoming other activities

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Event on "Meet the Institute of International Law" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 08:30 to 09:45, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Gabriela Potts, Permanent Mission of Switzerland (e-mail gabriela.potts@eda.admin.ch; tel. 1 (917) 289-9854).]

Event on "Freedom of Religion or Belief in the Islamic Republic of Iran" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada, the Baha'i International Community, and the European Centre for Law and Justice)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 13:00 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Kaitlyn Pritchard, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail kaitlyn.pritchard@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1155).]

Informal briefing on "A platform for partnerships" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Germany and the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For more information, please contact Mr. Ola Goransson, DESA (e-mail goranssono@un.org).]

Event entitled "Terrorism and International Criminal Law: Debate on Legal Challenges related to a prospective International Court against Terrorism" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Romania and Spain)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room E.

[All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Corina Badea, Permanent Mission of Romania (e-mail corina.badea@romaniaun.org); or Ms. Maria Palacios, Permanent Mission of Spain (e-mail maria.palacios@maec.es).]

Exchange of views with members of the International Law Commission on "Identification of Customary International Law" (organized by the Asian-African Legal Consultative Organization (AALCO))

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:45, in Conference Room 6.

[All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Roy S. Lee, AALCO (e-mail royslee@optonline.net).]

Panel discussion on "Responsibility of States: State of play and the way forward (part III)" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of the Czech Republic, Guatemala, Mexico, Portugal and South Africa)

Wednesday, 4 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Petra Benesova, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail petra_benesova@mzv.cz); or Mr. Joao Madureira, Permanent Mission of Portugal (e-mail joao.madureira@mne.pt).]

Meeting of the Group of Friends of the International Criminal Court with the International Criminal Court President (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

Thursday, 5 November 2015, from 08:30 to 09:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Patrick Luna, Permanent Mission of Brazil (e-mail patrick.luna@itamaraty.gov.br; tel. 1 (212) 372-2606).]

Event on "Identification of Customary International Law: Perspectives From the Fields of International Criminal Law and the Law of the Sea" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Cyprus and Peru, in collaboration with the American Society of International Law (ASIL) and the Latin American Society of International Law (LASIL))

Thursday, 5 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Vasiliki Krasa, Permanent Mission of Cyprus (e-mail vkrasa@cyprusun.org); or Ms. Christina Hioureas (e-mail chioureas@cyprusun.org); or Mr. Angel Horna, Permanent Mission of Peru (e-mail ahorna@unperu.org).]

Event on "Investment State Arbitration: Lessons Learned" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela)

Thursday, 5 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Isaias Medina, Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (e-mail isaiasmedina.venezuela@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 684-5824).]

Panel discussion entitled "The duty of non-recognition of illegal situations in international law: Is the principle *ex iniuria non oritur ius* still valid?" (organized by Permanent Mission of Poland)

Thursday, 5 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 6.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Tomasz Tokarski, Permanent Mission of Poland (e-mail tomasz.tokarski@msz.gov.pl; tel. 1 (646) 559-7571).]

Panel discussion on "Compendium of the High Level Review of United Nations Sanctions" (on the occasion of the presentation and public release of the Compendium) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Australia, Finland, Germany, Greece and Sweden, the Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs at Brown University and Compliance and Capacity Skills International, LLC)

Thursday, 5 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Lukas Boehm, Permanent Mission of Germany (e-mail pol-hosp5-vn@newy.diplo.de; tel. 1 (212) 940-0417).]

Panel discussion on "European Union Law Aspects of the Solution of the Migration Crisis" (organized by the Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic)

Monday, 9 November 2015, from 13:15 to 14:30, in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Petra Benesova, Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic (e-mail petra_benesova@mzv.cz).]

Briefing on "The new global investment landscape – investment policies for the twenty-first century" (organized by the New York Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD))

Thursday, 12 November 2015, from 10:00 to 12:00, in Conference Room 12.

[All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Ena Sawh, UNCTAD (e-mail sawh@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6893).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training (in English) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *November 2015*:

Introduction to United Nations Documents

Law Library Overview

United Nations Regular Budget Documentation

Introduction to Subscription Databases and Resources

Introduction to Library Services

General Assembly Documentation

Security Council Documentation

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (http://www.un.org/depts/dhl).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventieth session of the General Assembly is now available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free. Print-on-demand versions are available via the General Assembly website (*click here*).

2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations Regional Courses in International Law for Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific, respectively, are now being accepted.

The Regional Course for Africa is scheduled to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 1, to Friday, 26 February 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States.

The Regional Course for Latin America and the Caribbean is scheduled to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 April 2016. This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of Latin American and Caribbean States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 13 November 2015*.

The Regional Course for Asia-Pacific is scheduled to be held in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 21 November, to Friday, 16 December 2016.

This course is open to candidates from Member States of the United Nations and non-member States, which are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 13 November 2015*.

The three Regional Courses will be conducted *in English* in 2016. The organization of the Regional Courses is subject to funding.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (RCIL-Africa (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org); RCIL-LAAC (e-mail rcil-laac@un.org); and RCIL-Asia-Pacific (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org)).

2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme — Call for applications

Applications for the 2016 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from 27 June to 5 August 2016, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Tuesday, 1 December 2015*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in *French* in 2016. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme (*click here*) or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2015 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 2 November 2015

General Assembly

Seventieth session

Main Committees

First Committee

[archived video]

22nd meeting

The Committee began its third stage of work, namely "Action on all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under disarmament and international security agenda items (88 to 105)".

The Chair made a statement.

The meeting was suspended.

The meeting was resumed.

The Chair made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico and South Africa.

General statements were made under cluster 1 (nuclear weapons) by the representatives of Australia (on behalf of a number of States), Sweden, the European Union, Cuba, Austria and Myanmar.

In explanation of vote before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of China, Israel, Brazil, Ecuador, the United Kingdom (also on behalf of France and the United States), the Islamic Republic of Iran, Egypt, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea and the United States.

The Committee took action on the draft resolutions in cluster 1 (nuclear weapons).

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.1 was adopted, without a vote.

The representative of Egypt made a statement on a point of order.

The fifth preambular paragraph of draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.2 was retained, by a recorded vote of 164 to 3, with 4 abstentions. The sixth preambular paragraph of draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.2 was retained, by a recorded vote of 165 to 3, with 3 abstentions. The draft resolution as a whole was adopted, by a recorded vote of 151 to 5 with 19 abstentions.

The Secretary of the Committee made an oral statement pertaining to the financial implications of draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.15.

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.15 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 133 to 26 with 17 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.20 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 119 to 48 with 11 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.21 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 121 to 49 with 8 abstentions.

The sixth preambular paragraph of draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.23 was retained, by a recorded vote of 115 to 5, with 49 abstentions. The draft resolution as a whole was adopted, by a recorded vote of 113 to 46, with 15 abstentions.

The representative of Japan made a statement on a point of order..

The fifth operative paragraph of draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.26 was retained, by a recorded vote of 164 to 3, with 5 abstentions. The fifteenth operative paragraph of draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.26 was retained, by a recorded vote of 165 to 2, with 5 abstentions. The nineteenth operative paragraph of draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.26 was retained, by a recorded vote of 162 to 1, with 9 abstentions. The draft resolution as a whole was adopted, by a recorded vote of 156 to 3, with 17 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.32 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 121 to 0, with 56 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.37 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 136 to 18, with 21 abstentions.

Draft decision A/C.1/70/L.38 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 128 to 29, with 18 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.40 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 124 to 35, with 15 abstentions.

The sixteenth operative paragraph of draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.44 was retained, by a recorded vote of 163 to 3, with 6 abstentions. The draft resolution as a whole was adopted, by a recorded vote of 119 to 42, with 16 abstentions.

The sixth preambular paragraph of draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.46 was retained, by a recorded vote of 168 to 0, with 3 abstentions. The draft resolution as a whole was adopted, by a recorded vote of 174 to 1, with 3 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.51 was adopted, by a recorded vote of 129 to 24, with 24 abstentions.

Statements were made by the representatives of Switzerland and Nigeria on a point of order.

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.55 was adopted, without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/70/L.56 was adopted, without a vote.

In explanation of vote after the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of a number of States) and Pakistan.

The Chair made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The representatives of Japan, the Syrian Arab Republic, China and Israel, made statements in exercise of the right of reply.

Second Committee

[archived video]

25th meeting

Agriculture development, food security and nutrition [item 26]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

An introductory statement was made by the Officer in Charge of the Division for Sustainable Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

General discussion

The Committee began its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Sierra Leone (on behalf of the African Group), Bangladesh (on behalf of the Group of Least Developed Countries), Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Myanmar (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), Australia (on behalf of the Cairns Group of Agriculture Countries), Israel, Nicaragua, Belarus, Singapore, the Russian Federation, Brazil, Qatar, Sri Lanka, the Sudan, Jamaica, Gabon, Mozambique, China, Vanuatu, Thailand, Japan, Kuwait, Myanmar, Namibia and Benin.

Organization of work

The Chair (Slovenia) made a statement.

26th meeting

Agriculture development, food security and nutrition [item 26]

Continuation and conclusion of general discussion

Following a statement by the Vice-Chair (Paraguay), the Committee continued its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Saudi Arabia, Colombia, the United States, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Mali, Zimbabwe, India, Mongolia, Paraguay, Albania, the Niger, Kenya, Ethiopia, Indonesia, Ghana, Guatemala, Côte d'Ivoire, Nepal, Cameroon, Nigeria, Togo, Kazakhstan and Ukraine.

Statements were made by the observer of the Holy See and the observer of the State of Palestine.

A statement was also made by the representative of the International Fund for Agricultural Development (also on behalf of the Food and Agriculture Organization and the World Food Programme).

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of right of reply were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Israel and Ukraine.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of the item.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair (Paraguay) made a statement.

Third Committee

[archived video]

37th meeting

Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance [item 70]

(a) Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Right of peoples to self-determination [item 71]

The Committee began its joint consideration of the items and heard an introductory statement by the Deputy to the Head, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) a.i., who subsequently responded to questions and comments made by the representatives of Algeria and Cameroon.

The Committee heard an introductory statement by the Chair, Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent, who engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Morocco, the European Union, Algeria, Mexico, Nigeria and Cameroon.

The Vice-Chair (Georgia) made a statement.

The Committee heard an oral report by the Chair, Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, who engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Morocco, Cuba, the European Union and Belgium.

The Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance also made an introductory statement and engaged in an interactive dialogue with the representatives of Brazil, Morocco, the European Union, Mexico, the Russian Federation, Armenia, Nigeria, Turkey and the United States.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair (Georgia) made a statement.

The Secretary made a statement.

38th meeting

Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance [item 70]

(a) Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance

(b) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Right of peoples to self-determination [item 71]

General discussion

The Committee began its general discussion of the items and heard statements by the representatives of South Africa (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ecuador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Botswana (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)), the European Union, Kazakhstan, Colombia, Thailand, Israel, the United States, Singapore, Brazil, Cuba, Morocco, Algeria, the Russian Federation, Egypt, Nigeria, Iraq, Turkey, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Pakistan, Qatar, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Kyrgyzstan and Georgia.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Latvia, Estonia, the Russian Federation, Georgia, Algeria and Morocco.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair (Guyana) made a statement.

Sixth Committee

[archived video]

17th meeting

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its sixty-seventh session [item 83]

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 83.

The Chair made a statement.

The Chair of the International Law Commission at the sixty-seventh session made a statement introducing Chapters I to V and XII of the Report of the Commission on the work of its sixty-seventh session (A/70/10).

Statements were made by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), Finland (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Singapore, Peru, Italy, Belarus, the Netherlands, Austria, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Romania and Nicaragua.

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